

Council Member Golby introduced the following:

ORDINANCE NUMBER 46.121.17

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 259 (PESTICIDES) OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF ALBANY IN RELATION TO THE PEST MANAGEMENT BOARD

The City of Albany, in Common Council convened, does hereby ordain and enact:

Section 1. Section 259-3 (Pest Management Board) of Chapter 259 (Pesticides) of the Code of the City of Albany is hereby amended to read as follows:

§ 259-3. Pest Management Board.

A. There is hereby created a Pest Management Board under this chapter composed of seven members as follows: the Commissioner of the Department of General Services or his or her designee; the Commissioner of the Department of Recreation or his or her designee; the Director of the Office of Sustainability or his or her designee; and four citizens appointed by the Common Council, one of whom shall **have a background in public health or** be a healthcare practitioner, one of whom shall be actively involved in a local environmental organization; one of whom shall have a background in organic pest management, and one of whom shall have a background in landscaping or property management. The members shall serve at the pleasure of the Common Council. The Committee shall annually choose a chair.

B. The Pest Management Board shall publicly notice and hold meetings at least **once** ~~four times~~ per year, or more often if necessary. The Board shall allow for a public comment period at each meeting, the length and placement to be determined by the Committee. The Mayor shall have the authority to call a special meeting of the Pest Management Board in the event of an emergency regarding property, health and safety.

C. The Pest Management Board shall review and make recommendations to the City departments regarding pest management, monitor efforts of the City to reduce pesticide use, have the authority to research and report on programs used successfully by other municipalities or private industry, and shall

be responsible for granting waivers as provided in § 259-6.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED AS TO FORM

November 24, 2017

First Assistant Corporation Counsel

Matter in ~~strike through~~ to be deleted. Matter underlined is new material.

TO: Gerald Campbell, City Clerk

FROM: Leah Golby, Council Member

**RE: Request for Common Council Legislation
Supporting Memorandum**

DATE: November 30, 2017

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**TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 259 (PESTICIDES) OF
THE CODE OF THE CITY OF ALBANY**

GENERAL PURPOSE OF LEGISLATION: To amend the existing pesticide ordinance.

NECESSITY FOR LEGISLATION AND ANY CHANGE TO EXISTING LAW: This ordinance amends the pesticide law to reflect the current needs of the city and practices of the Pest Management Board since its establishment in 2011.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.